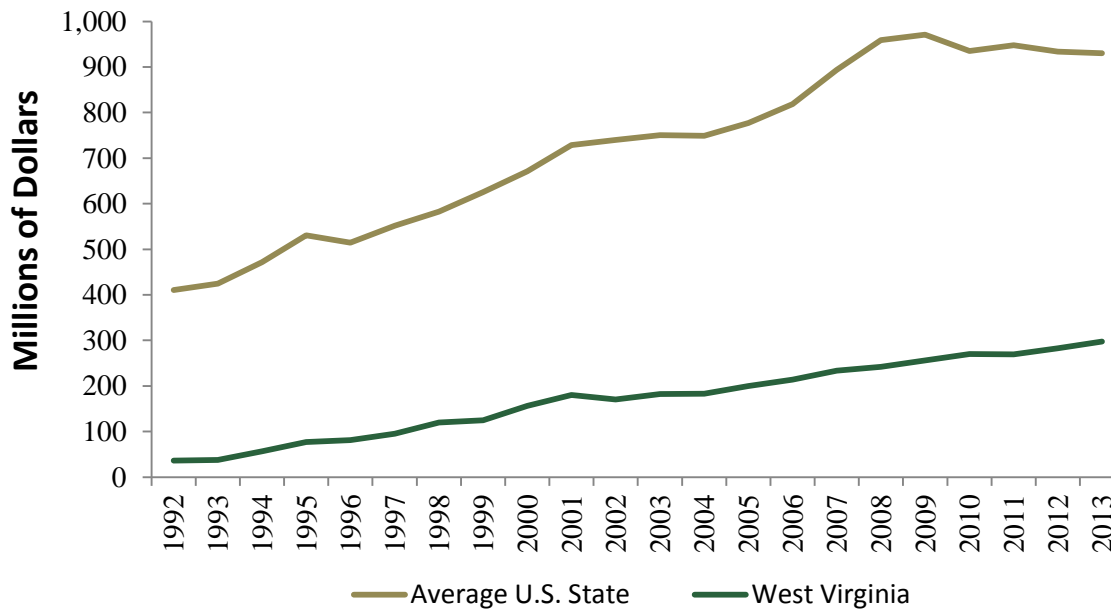


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**Figure 4: Total Spending on Corrections in West Virginia compared to the Average U.S. State, 1992-2013**



Note: Figure 4 presents the total annual spending on correctional supervision for West Virginia and for the average U.S. State.

**Sources:** Annual U.S. Census Survey of State Government Finances

**Findings:** Although West Virginia currently spends significantly less on corrections than the average U.S. state, corrections spending in West Virginia is growing at a much faster rate. Between 1992 and 2013, corrections spending in West Virginia increased more than 800%, and grew by about \$12 million per year. In contrast, corrections spending in the average state increased by about 200% during this time. Furthermore, it should be noted that while most states have reduced spending on corrections since 2008, corrections spending in West Virginia has continued to grow by about 28% between 2008 and 2013.